

## WHAT A FORMER AMERICAN SAYS.

Doubled Their Cultivated Lands and More Than Doubled Their Stock.

The following letter written by Mr. John Cummings of Wetaskiwin, Alberta, Canada, formerly of Washington, to a friend in the United States is only one of a hundred similar cases, and what was done by Mr. Cummings can more easily be done to-day by any good, sober and industrious farmer who chooses to make his home in the Dominion.

Dear Sir: You want to know how I got along since I came into Northern Alberta. I am happy to inform you that I am not ashamed to tell.

We located five miles northeast of Wetaskiwin; left Farmington, Washington, on the 29th of May, driving all the way.

We had time to build our log house the first fall and to make us comfortable for the family and stock. We then built four stables 15x20 inside, so that we could put everything inside them when the cold got down to the fifties, and worked hard getting up the stable and got through dubbing on the 1st December, but to our surprise we had no use for the stables only for the milk cow and two span of horses. The balance of the horses lived on the prairie all winter and took care of themselves. The doors of two stables were left open for them to go into in a cold time, but they would not do it, but stayed out on the prairie the coldest night we had, and looked as spry as crickets.

I can go ten rods back of my house and count ten residents. I know all of their circumstances. Every one of them have doubled their cultivated land and doubled their animals, and a great deal more. All of us are comparatively out of debt and an unusually big crop to thresh and prospects of a fair price, and I expect we are as well contented lot of people as there are from Florida to the Klondike.

My son bought two pounds of twine to the acre, and when we started to bind some barley, we found that instead of taking two pounds to the acre, it was taking nearly five pounds. Then you ought to have seen him hitch up a team and make for town for 100 lbs. more. I cannot say how it will thrill. All I can say is that it is well headed, and takes an enormous amount of twine.

Business Acumen.

Old Hardcash—I've decided to take young Sharpshooter into business with me as soon as he and my daughter get back from their honeymoon.

Bullion Bonds—But I thought you saw no good in the fellow?

"I didn't at first, but I've changed my mind. I told him he couldn't have my daughter till he had at least \$1,000 in the bank. He got me to put it in writing, and then went out and borrowed the \$1,000 on the strength of his becoming my son-in-law. Such business ability as that man isn't allowed to go to waste."—Tit-Bits.

President Krueger Ahead.

Pretoria, Transvaal, South Africa, Dec. 7, 1899.

Messrs. Swanson Rheumatic Cure Company, Chicago, Ill., U. S. A.: Gentlemen—Your last shipment and communication received. I am very much pleased with the information that you have so kindly given me.

Please find enclosed bank draft to the amount of \$212.10, for which send me twenty-five (25) gross of Swanson's "5-DROPS." Ship same as before in order that there may be no delay, as this medicine will be greatly needed before it reaches us. The last shipment is almost disposed of, as the medical department of our army uses large quantities. This order is entirely for use in the army.

I have been told that our success on the battlefield is due to a certain extent to the use of "5-DROPS" Rheumatic Cure, which has relieved and prevented a great deal of suffering among our men from Rheumatism, Neuralgia and other acute pains caused by exposure. Your "5-DROPS" is as good as a Transvaal soldier! In one of the battles, a small quantity of "5-DROPS" together with other medicines, was captured by the English, which was a great loss to our men. The Ruinicks won't do it again. I am, respectfully yours,

PETER HAAS.

"5-DROPS" is the most powerful specific known. Free from opiates and perfectly harmless. It is a perfect cure for Rheumatism, Sciatica, Neuralgia, Dyspepsia, Backache, Asthma, Catarrh, La Grippe, Neuralgia Headache, etc. Large sized bottles (300 doses), \$1.00, or three (3) bottles for \$2.50. Sample bottles 25 cents.

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Called It Down.

"You want a decolette shave, I presume," remarked the funny barber, as the duddet climbed into the chair.

"Aw—beg pardon," said the youth, "but really, I saw—fail to comprehend."

"That's French for cutting down," answered the knight of the razor, with a grin on his mug.—Chicago Evening News.

Rape. Speltz. Bromus.

Most remarkable trio. Will make a fellow rich despite himself if he plants a plenty. Salzer's catalog tells. Send 10c and this notice for samples of above and big catalog. John A. Salzer Seed Co., La Crosse, Wis.

The Best Prescription for Chills.

and Fever is a bottle of GNOVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC. Its simply iron and quinine in tasteless form. No cure—no pay. Price, 50c.

"How did Jack come to make up with Jim?" "Heard some one say they were at sixes and sevens, and was afraid of the unlucky 13."—Town Topics.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c.

You must behave yourself if you hope to avoid worry, no guilty man can avoid worry over his misdeeds.—Atchison Globe.

It requires no experience to dye with PUTNAM FADELESS DYES. Simply boiling your goods in the dye is all that's necessary. Sold by all druggists.

The goodness of our intentions never excuses the badness of our actions.—Chicago Daily News.

The Grip of Pneumonia may be ward off with Hale's Honey of Horehound and Tar. Pike's Toothache Drops Cure in one minute.

A man seldom tells the truth about his business; he exaggerates it one way or the other.—Atchison Globe.

I have found Piao's Cure for Consumption an unfailing medicine.—F. R. Lotz, 1305 Scott St., Covington, Ky., Oct. 1, 1894.

## FOUR COMMISSIONERS.

The President Has Decided to Send Them at Once to Replace the Military Government at Manila.

Washington, Feb. 4.—President McKinley has decided not to wait for congress to act on the matter of replacing the military government by a civil administration in the Philippines, recognizing that much time will be consumed in deliberating over details before any comprehensive plan for the government of the islands can be adopted, and that more than a month would be required after that time for the officials to reach their stations. It has been decided, therefore, to send out three or, at most, four, commissioners to establish provisionally the form of territorial government recommended in the report of the Philippine commission sent to congress Saturday. According to present intentions, the head of the new commission is eventually to become the governor of the territory of the Philippines, its secretary will become the secretary of the territory, and a third member is to be selected with a view to his qualifications for becoming the presiding justice of the territorial supreme court when it is established.

Among the men who have been already canvassed for membership of this commission are Gov. Roosevelt, President Schurman, Robert P. Porter, Col. Denby, Gen. Frederick B. Grant and ex-Minister Barrett. It has been found that Gov. Roosevelt and President Schurman can not be induced to accept, and various objections have been raised to the others as possible governors of the territory.

## CLAYTON-BULWER TREATY.

Great Britain Relinquishes All Her Claims Respecting the Control of the Nicaraguan Canal.

Washington, Feb. 5.—The United States and Great Britain have reached an amicable agreement respecting the operations of the Clayton-Bulwer treaty as affecting the right of construction and control by the United States of the proposed Nicaraguan canal.

Great Britain agrees to a modification of the Clayton-Bulwer treaty by which she practically relinquishes any claims respecting the legal control of the Nicaraguan canal after it shall have been constructed. The result, therefore, is to eliminate that feature of the treaty bearing on the subject of dual control and to leave the United States free to construct and thereafter control this great interoceanic waterway.

It is rumored that in return for the British renunciation of rights under the treaty the state department has promised a free port in Alaska for Canada.

## A STRANGE SWINDLE.

Wealthy West Virginia Man Signs a Marriage Certificate as Witness That Turns Up a Check.

Point Pleasant, W. Va., Feb. 4.—A. L. Thorn, a member of the Mason county court and a man of wealth and business qualities, was beaten out of \$1,000 by a novel method last week.

Tuesday evening a stranger in clerical garb stopped at his house and asked to stay over night, explaining that he was a Baptist circuit rider who had lost his way.

At 9:30 a young-looking couple drove up and asked to be directed to a minister to be married. Thorn's romantic turn cropped out and he invited them in to be married by the itinerant minister. The knot was tied and Thorn signed the certificate as a witness, treating to coffee, cake, pie and apples in celebration of the event.

Friday Thorn came to the bank here and was astonished to find that his check for \$1,000 had been cashed. He had signed it, payable to bearer, through a slit in the marriage certificate.

Governor for Samon.

Laporte, Ind., Feb. 5.—Private advices received here state that President McKinley will this week officially announce the appointment of Hon. Albert Couden, of Michigan City, to the position of governor of the Samon islands. Mr. Couden is now an attaché of the United States navy, with official rank, and his appointment has been urged by Senators Fairbanks and Beveridge.

One Day Session Only.

St. Johns, N. F., Feb. 5.—In deference to the desire of the British cabinet the New Foundland legislature will meet in special session on February 15 to renew the Anglo-French modus vivendi respecting the treaty shore. The session will probably occupy only one day as the country is unanimous in supporting such a proposal.

Good Prices for Cotton.

Montgomery, Ala., Feb. 3.—Spot cotton is selling here for eight cents and there is great rejoicing. Farm mortgages of 20 years' standing are being paid off. The good prices of the staple, however, threaten prosperity. Over-production next year is predicted.

Trusted Postoffice Clerk Arrested.

Chicago, Feb. 5.—Henry Walsh, an old and trusted clerk in charge of the mailing department of the Chicago post office, was arrested by post office inspectors charged with robbing the mails. It is calculated that Walsh has robbed 5,000 letters during the past year.

William Stanley Hasleton Dead.

New York, Feb. 5.—William Stanley Hasleton, the marine, is dead in Rome, aged 64 years. He was a native of Philadelphia, where his father was a wealthy merchant.

## WIT AVERTED A STORM.

The Capital Device of a Congressman to Cool His Wife's Anger.

In the seclusion of the house cloakrooms a story is being told on a western member. There are 357 men in the house. Three hundred and fifty-six are hereby released from any connection with the story. The other man—and the other man's wife—will recognize the truth of what is here recorded.

The western member went home at a very early hour in the morning. He had made a night of it with some friends. He knew that his conduct would be considered reprehensible by his better half, and so as he ascended the steps of his modest home he racked his brain for some plan to avert the lady's wrath. As he entered the hall he saw an umbrella. Instantly it occurred to him that the umbrella might be his salvation.

He carried the umbrella upstairs. Seating himself on a chair in the corner of the bedroom, he raised the rain guard over his head and then coughed loudly. His wife awoke and saw in the dim gaslight her liege lord sitting solemnly under the raised umbrella. "What are you doing?" she asked in natural surprise.

"It is three o'clock, my dear," said he, "and I am waiting for the storm."

The congressman's ready wit saved him from a Caudle lecture. He is worrying now, however, to find an equally effective act for the next time he stays out late.—Washington Post.

Vest's Stolen Pigs.

"Another story that Vest told related to his candidacy for the legislature in 1861 against A. S. Walker. The canvass was exceedingly exciting because of the near approach of war, and all the questions incident to it were discussed with much animation. Charges and counter-charges were made. Both sides knew that about six votes either way would determine the contest, and on the day of the election Walker came the point on Vest that he had stolen some pigs. The only way that Vest could meet the charge was to acknowledge smilingly that he had the pigs in his pen and in his possession. If he had gone further and said that he had bought them—which they hoped he would do—they had witnessed to show that he had not bought them, but Vest was too shrewd to be caught in the trap, and turned the accusation off with a laugh and the remark: "One can't account for the way his boys get pigs."—St. Louis Republic.

The promises of a lover are as unreliable as those of a politician.—Atchison Globe.

## THE MARKETS.

Cincinnati, Feb. 3.	
LIVE STOCK—Cattle, com'n	3 75 @ 4 25
Select butchers	4 00 @ 4 50
HOGS—Choice packers	4 90 @ 4 95
Mixed packers	4 70 @ 4 85
Light shippers	4 65 @ 4 80
SHEEP—Choice	8 85 @ 9 25
LAMBS—Extra	6 87 @ 7 00
Wool—Spring patent	3 70 @ 3 95
GRAIN—Wheat—No. 2 red	71 1/2 @ 71 3/4
No. 3 red	71 1/2 @ 71 3/4
Corn—No. 2 mixed	33 1/2 @ 33 3/4
Oats—No. 2	25 1/2 @ 25 3/4
Rye—No. 2	62 1/2 @ 62 3/4
PROVISIONS—Mess pork	11 00 @ 11 50
Lard	5 70 @ 5 75
HAY—Choice timothy	13 50 @ 13 50
BUTTER—Choice dairy	15 1/2 @ 15 1/2
Ice creamery	20 @ 20
APPLES—Choice to fancy	3 00 @ 3 50
POTATOES—Per brl	1 75 @ 1 85

## CHICAGO.

FLOUR—Winter patent	3 40 @ 3 60
GRAIN—Wheat—No. 2 red	68 1/2 @ 68 3/4
No. 3 Chicago spring	63 @ 65
Corn—No. 2	32 @ 32
Oats—No. 2	22 1/2 @ 22 1/2
LARD—Steam	6 50 @ 5 92 1/2

## NEW YORK.

FLOUR—Winter patent	3 55 @ 3 80
GRAIN—Wheat—No. 2 red	77 1/2 @ 77 3/4
Corn—No. 2	40 1/2 @ 40 3/4
Oats—No. 2 mixed	29 1/2 @ 29 3/4
Rye—No. 2	62 1/2 @ 62 3/4
PORK—Mess	10 50 @ 11 00
LARD—Steam	6 20 @ 6 20

## BALTIMORE.

FLOUR—Family	3 20 @ 3 50
GRAIN—Wheat—No. 2 red	67 1/2 @ 68
Southern	65 @ 73
Corn—Mixed	28 1/2 @ 29
Rye—No. 2 western	55 @ 57
CATTLE—First quality	5 25 @ 5 50
HOGS—Western	4 90 @ 5 10

## INDIANAPOLIS.

GRAIN—Wheat—No. 2 red	70 @ 70
Corn—No. 2	31 1/2 @ 31 3/4
Oats—No. 2 mixed	24 1/2 @ 24 3/4

## LOUISVILLE.

FLOUR—Winter patent	3 45 @ 3 55
GRAIN—Wheat—No. 2 red	71 @ 72
Corn—Mixed	28 @ 28
Oats—Mixed	25 1/2 @ 25 3/4
PORK—Mess	9 0 @ 9 0
LARD—Steam	6 50 @ 6 50

## Nervous Women

are ailing women. When a woman has some female trouble she is certain to be nervous and wretched.

With many women the monthly suffering is so great that they are for days positively insane, and the most diligent efforts of ordinary treatment are unavailing.

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound

comes promptly to the relief of these women. The letters from women cured by it proves this. This paper is constantly printing them.

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